Appendix C. Redding Field Office Consistency Review of Northwest Forest Plan Implementation

Does the proposed action occur within either the California Klamath or California Cascades Physiographic Zones of the Northwest Forest Plan?

(X)Yes ( ) No

The project occurs within the California Klamath/Cascades Mountains Physiographic Zone of the Northwest Forest Plan.

TS02 and TS02.1 are both located within the boundaries of the Northwest Forest Plan.

1.A. Projects that comply with the Pechman Exemption.

Does the proposed action meet an existing exemption category (2006 Pechman Exemption)

( )Yes (X) No

1.B. Projects that Comply With the 2001 Survey and Manage Record of Decision and Plan Amendment with Subsequent ASRs except for the Red Tree Vole.

The project area has been examined for the three required survey criteria, which include

1. Does the project area occur within the range of the species?

(X)Yes ( ) No

Comments: The following species have the potential to occur in Shasta County: Shasta salamander (Hydromantes shastae), Shasta sideband (Monadenia troglodytes troglodytes), Shasta Chaparral (Trilobopsis roperi), Tehama Chaparral (Monadenia troglodytes wintu), and Shasta Hesperian (Vespericola Shasta). Additionally, several vascular and non-vascular plants have ranges that overlap the project area.

2. Does the project contain suitable habitat.

( )Yes (X) No

Comments: Species primarily occur in limestone, riparian or forested landscape. TS02 and TS02.1 do not contain this kind of habitat.

3. Does the project negatively affect the species or habitat?

( )Yes (X) No

Comments: No suitable habitat is present within in the project area ; therefore, the project would have no effect on S&M species or their habitat.

If all three Survey and Manage Species Review boxes are checked ‘Yes’, S&M species surveys are required. If however, upon review of the above survey criteria, it has been determined that

the project occurs outside the range of S&M species, the project does not contain suitable habitat or the project does not negatively affect species or their habitat the project does not meet required survey criteria.

2. Aquatic Conservation Strategy (ACS) Compliance

Will the proposed action prevent or retard attainment of any of the ACS objectives, below, in the long term at both the site and watershed level.

( )Yes (X) No

1. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon the distribution, diversity, and complexity of watershed and landscape-scale features to ensure protection of the aquatic systems to which species, populations, and communities are uniquely adapted.

2. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon the spatial and temporal connectivity within and between watersheds.

3. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon the physical integrity of the aquatic system.

4. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon water quality necessary to support healthy riparian, aquatic, and wetland ecosystems.

5. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon the sediment regime under which this aquatic ecosystem evolved.

6. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon in-stream flows.

7. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon the timing, variability, and duration of floodplain inundation and water table elevation in meadows and wetlands.

8. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon species composition and structural diversity of plant communities in riparian areas and wetlands.

9. The Proposed Action would maintain or have no effect upon habitat which supports well-distributed populations of native plant, invertebrate and vertebrate riparian-dependent species.

The proposed project will have no effect on ACS compliance and will not prevent or retard attainment of any of the ACS objectives listed above.